

The Benefits of Thanksgiving

Nov. 27th, 2016

Psalm 100
Philippians 4:6,7

A Song of Praise for the Lord's
Faithfulness to His People

A Psalm of Thanksgiving

Psalm 100:1-5 (NKJV)

1 Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands!
2 Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations

Philippians 4:6, 7 (NKJV)

6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

LET'S LOOK AT WHAT THE BIBLE
TELLS US IS TRUE THANKSGIVING

1) THANKFUL PEOPLE WORSHIP / SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

Psalm 100: 2, 4, 5

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ISAIAH 26:3

“You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.”

JOHN 14:27

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

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- 3) THANKFUL PEOPLE ARE CHEERFUL GIVER

2 Corinthians 9:7

So *let* each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

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- 4) THANKFUL PEOPLE HONOR THE LORD

Psalm 100:1, Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands!

Psalm 103:1, 2, Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits;

Psalm 22:3, But You are holy, Enthroned in the praises of Israel.

Ephesians 5:19, 20

19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

20 giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

WILLIAM LAW,
“Why We Should Thank God?”
(1686 – 1761)

“If I could tell you the shortest, way to all happiness and all perfection, it would be to make a rule for yourself to thank and praise God for everything that happens to you. For it is certain that whatever seeming calamity may happen to you, if you thank and praise God for it, it may turn it into a blessing. If you could work miracles, you would not do more for yourself than to have this wonderful spirit, for it heals by just a word and turns all that it touches into happiness (blessedness).”

FINAL COMMENTS

1. Thanksgiving, praise and worship minister to the LORD!
2. Thanksgiving, praise and worship exalt the LORD!
3. Thanksgiving, praise and worship drive Satan away!
4. Thanksgiving, praise and worship helps us to forgive others, and takes pride and bitterness from our spirits!